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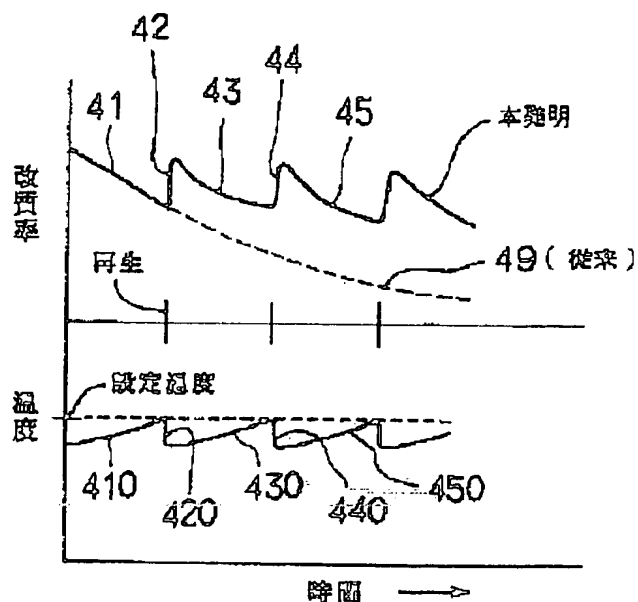
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ABSTRACT : PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a reforming method of methanol by which a reforming catalyst can be maintained in a highly active state and methanol can be reformed at a high efficiency for a long time.

SOLUTION: A reformed gas containing hydrogen gas and carbonic acid gas is produced by the reforming reaction of methanol in the presence of a reforming catalyst. In this method, when the reforming catalyst deteriorates to a preliminarily determined deterioration degree, air is supplied to the reforming catalyst to regenerate. Then the reforming process is again carried out. These operation of reforming and regenerating are repeated to produce a reformed gas.

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